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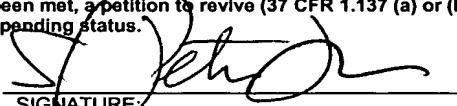
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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP03/15656	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 8 December 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 13 December 2002
TITLE OF INVENTION WHITENING AGENT, SKIN PREPARATION FOR EXTERNAL USE AND COSMETIC		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Kenichi Nagamine et al.		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
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<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li><li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: English translation of International Preliminary Examination Report Return Receipt Postcard</li></ol>		

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